



City of **Norfolk**

Inter Department Correspondence Sheet

TO: The Honorable Council

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SUBJECT: Elected School Board

January 20, 2015

At your January 13th meeting, I believe you requested for your January 27, 2015 meeting two ordinances pertaining to the method of popularly electing the school board. Attached are two ordinances. One ordinance mirrors electing of council members and establishes single member wards for the election of school board members and the other combines at large and wards, providing for the election of three members at large and two from each of superwards 6 and 7. Breck and Joe, please include on the agenda for the January 27, 2015 council meeting.

Bernard A. Pishko
City Attorney

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NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

ORDINANCE No.

R-7

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SINGLE MEMBER WARDS FOR THE ELECTIONS OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS WITH TWO MEMBERS TO BE ELECTED FOR TERMS COMMENCING JULY 1, 2016.

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Norfolk:

Section 1:- That, commencing with the May, 2016 elections, school board members shall be elected from the seven single-member wards provided in Section 3.2 of the Norfolk Charter, and any person qualified to vote in Norfolk shall be eligible for the office of school board member for the ward or superward in which such person resides. Only those persons residing in the ward shall be eligible to vote for the school board member for that ward.

Section 2:- That at the May, 2016 election, two school board members shall be elected, one from ward 6 and one from ward 7 to four year terms to commence on July 1, 2016. The terms of two of the three appointed members whose terms expire on June 30, 2017 (Dr. Gabrielle, Mr. Haywood and Mr. Jordan) shall be shortened and end on June 30, 2016. A drawing conducted by the Norfolk Electoral Board will determine which two of these memberships will be vacated upon the arrival of the popularly elected replacements. The Norfolk Electoral Board shall conduct the drawing on July 1, 2015, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Section 3:- That at the May, 2018 election, five school board members shall be elected, one from each of wards 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 to four year terms to commence on July 1, 2018.

Section 4:- That this ordinance shall be in effect from and after its adoption.

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NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

ORDINANCE No.

R-8

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A COMBINATION OF THE AT LARGE AND WARD METHODS FOR THE POPULAR ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS AND REQUESTING RATIFICATION OF THE METHOD BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Norfolk:

Section 1:- That, in accordance with Sections 2 and 3 below, commencing with the May, 2016 elections, school board members shall be elected by a combination of the at large and ward methods. The wards are defined by Section 3.2 of the Norfolk Charter and implementing ordinances.

Section 2:- That commencing with the May, 2016 elections, three school board members shall be elected to four year terms to commence on July 1, 2016, as follows:

(a) One member shall be elected for the Bayside District Seat 1 (superward 6 boundaries). Any person residing in superward 6 and qualified to vote in Norfolk shall be eligible for the Bayside District Seat 1. Only those persons eligible to vote in Norfolk and residing in superward 6 shall be eligible to vote for the Bayside District Seat 1.

(b) One member shall be elected for the Riverside District Seat 1 (superward 7 boundaries). Any person residing in superward 7 and qualified to vote in Norfolk shall be eligible for the Riverside District Seat 1. Only those persons eligible to vote in Norfolk and residing in superward 7 shall be eligible to vote for the Riverside District Seat 1.

(c) One member shall be elected at large and this seat shall be known as At-Large Seat 1. Any person eligible to vote in Norfolk shall be eligible for at-large seat 1. All those persons eligible to vote in

Norfolk shall be eligible to vote for at the at-large seat 1.

(d) The terms of the three appointed members whose terms expire on June 30, 2017 (Dr. Gabrielle, Mr. Haywood and Mr. Jordan) shall be shortened and end on June 30, 2016.

Section 3:- That at the May, 2018 election, four school board members shall be elected to four year terms to commence on July 1, 2018, as follows:

(a) One member shall be elected for the Bayside District Seat 2 (superward 6 boundaries). Any person residing in superward 6 and qualified to vote in Norfolk shall be eligible for the Bayside District Seat 2. Only those persons eligible to vote in Norfolk and residing in superward 6 shall be eligible to vote for the Bayside District Seat 2.

(b) One member shall be elected for the Riverside District Seat 2 (superward 7 boundaries). Any person residing in superward 7 and qualified to vote in Norfolk shall be eligible for the Riverside District Seat 2. Only those persons eligible to vote in Norfolk and residing in superward 7 shall be eligible to vote for the Riverside District Seat 2.

(c) Two members shall be elected at large and these seats shall be known as At-Large Seats 2 and 3. Any person eligible to vote in Norfolk shall be eligible for at-large seats 2 and 3. All those persons eligible to vote in Norfolk shall be eligible to vote for at the at-large seats 2 and 3.

Section 4:- That the General Assembly is requested to pass legislation to ratify this method combining at large and ward methods.

Section 5:- That this ordinance shall be in effect from and after its adoption.